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S Club signed up to star at festival!

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Three original members of the Brit Award-winning S Club, Jo O'Meara, Bradley McIntosh and Paul Cattermole, will be in town to perform smash hit singles, such as *Bring It All Back* and *Don't Stop Moving*, while 1970s' chart-toppers

The Real Thing will also take to the stage.

The big name groups join Curiosity Killed The Cat and the X-Factor's Diva Fever in a star-studded line-up on July 1.

Councillor Brandon Eldred, of the Walk In The Park organising committee, said: "I am overjoyed that, in The Real Thing and S-Club, we have two big name acts coming to join us at this year's festival."

"I'm almost speechless, such is our fantastic line-up this year. There's something for everybody of all ages, and that reflects what a great family event Walk In The Park has established itself as."

"We are not just talking about high-profile groups, but fantastic entertainers, and we're going to have a great party and a fantastic night out."

The Real Thing celebrated their

40th anniversary last year but are still going strong. The soul band burst on to the music scene with their 1976 number one song, *You To Me Are Everything*.

S-Club started out with seven members and helped launch the career of Rachel Stevens.

This year's event takes place over two nights: the Big Family Night Out is on Friday, July 1, and the community festival is on Saturday, July 2,

when local bands get the opportunity to showcase their talents in front of a big audience.

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Police closed off roads in the quiet village of Slapton as they investigated the death of a 94-year-old man

Son charged with murder

A MAN has appeared in court charged with the murder of his 94-year-old father in a Northamptonshire village.

John Zebedee, of Waverley Road, Reading, appeared in the dock charged with murdering his elderly father Harry Zebedee in the early hours of Friday at a thatched house in the small village of Slapton.

During the short hearing on Monday, the defendant, grey-haired and balding, wearing a blue T-shirt and holding a pair of glasses, stood in the dock with a security guard who had brought him from the cells.

Sarah Ingram, prosecuting, said he was charged with murder and revealed that a further charge, of failing to provide a specimen to police, had been withdrawn.

Magistrates told Zebedee that they were required to commit the case to Northamp-

ton Crown Court and then remanded him in custody until that hearing.

Zebedee thanked them before being led away, which was the only time he spoke during the hearing, having simply nodded to acknowledge his name, address and date of birth.

The defendant had been arrested last Friday after police were called to a thatched house in Slapton at around 1.30am. They found the body of Harry Zebedee, who is believed to have been living there with his daughter, who owns the house.

Later on Friday, police then arrested John Zebedee and, after questioning him, charged him with murder on Saturday.

A spokesman for the county force said: "An initial post mortem has taken place, but officers await further test results."

Zebedee is due to appear in front of a judge later this week.

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Ada Webster holding great-great grand-daughter McKayla-May Wilkins, with Gordon Webster, Julie Richards and Steven Wilkins

Generation gain for Ada

THE ELDEST and youngest of a five-generation family were introduced to each other for the first time at the weekend.

Ada Webster cooed over her newborn great-great-granddaughter, McKayla-May Wilkins, at her 98th birthday party when the five generations were brought together.

The nine-week-old will certainly not be short of babysitters with such a large family, who all live in Northamptonshire.

Ada, who spent her life in Astcote, near Towcester, but now lives at Brownlands Nursing Home in Daventry, said she was delighted to have a such "a large, wonderful family" and joked that she did not have a choice but to get on with them all. She said: "I've always been con-

tented with my lot and now it has grown.

"It was lovely to meet my great-great-granddaughter. I never thought I would have one. It keeps me young having all these children around."

Her son, Chivy Webster, aged 70, from Pattishall, near Towcester, said he felt honoured to be part of a five-generation family.

His daughter, Julie Richards, aged 43, from Astcote, said: "We're very lucky to have such a large family, and especially five generations."

"We look at the differences between all of our childhoods and it's incredible."

Ada was joined by some of her four children, 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and McKayla-May to celebrate her 98th birthday.



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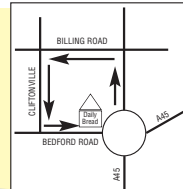
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Fires burn in protest

BEACONS burned in villages throughout South Northamptonshire on Monday night in protest against HS2, as an official consultation on high-speed rail was launched.

Around 50 villages along the planned London to West Midlands rail link took part in the protest, with beacons lit in Greatworth, Thorpe Mandeville, Lower Boddington, Priors Hardwick, Chipping Warden and Aston-le-Walls.

The protest coincided with the launch yesterday of what Transport Secretary Philip Hammond has called the biggest public consultation ever.

Alan Seeds, spokesman for SNAG (South Northamptonshire Action Group) said the burning beacons were being used to alert the country to the danger the route presented.

"The whole of Northamptonshire needs to recognise that nearly £1 billion will be spent on the project over the next five years, even before construction begins," he said.

"Any benefit for the county from HS2 will be tiny, speculative and simply not worth the huge cost at a time of savage spending cuts over the coming years.

"We want to get as many people as possible to take part in the consultation and to get out the message this is not a 'nimby' issue."

"Opposition to HS2 is not a



Protesters lit beacons along the route of the proposed HS2 rail line on Monday evening

Picture by LINDA BUTLER MHBG-03-03-11-HS2 beacon protest

nimby rave," added Tania Parsons, of Lower Thorpe, where all five homes in the hamlet would be demolished to make way for HS2. "It is an economic concern affecting us all."

The Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) criticised the Government's consultation process, labelling it "a complete train wreck," which has failed to give enough public involvement.

The consultation will run until July 29 and there will be roadshows at sites along the proposed route, including one in Brackley

Leisure Centre in Springfield Way on May 27 and 28.

Sir Brian Briscoe, chairman of HS2 Ltd, said: "We want to do everything we can to minimise the potential impacts of HS2, so I would encourage everyone who has an interest in the proposals to come to our roadshows and talk to us.

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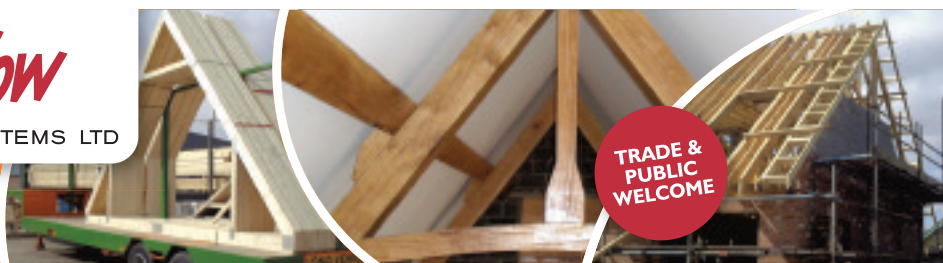


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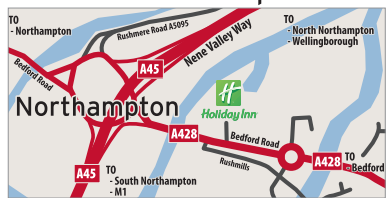
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Council pass three-year b

MEMBERS of Northampton Borough Council have passed the proposed budget for 2011-2014 which will see a £600,000 investment in Delapre Abbey and the control of environmental services handed over to a private company.

Budget cuts and proposals were debated at a full council meeting at the Guildhall on Monday night.

Portfolio Holder for Finance, Councillor David Perkins (*Lib Dem, Boughton Green*), said the budget was part of a journey of improvement until the council reached their goal of being among the best councils in the country.

He said: "This is a budget of renewal. It is a budget that demonstrates financial competence.

And it will inspire confidence in the future of Northampton."

The budget includes the closure of Cliftonville House; the creation of a leisure trust; funding cuts for alcohol and drugs charity CAN; and the handing over of environmental services to a private company in a joint deal with Daventry District council.

Labour group leader, Councillor Lee Mason (*Lab, Lumbertubs*), proposed an amendment to the budget that the voluntary associations budget - known as the Community Enabling Fund Advisory Panel (CEFAP) budget - was increased by £50,000. This amendment was accepted by council members and altered in the budget.

She raised concerns for the budget and said: "Northampton Borough Council is so restricted in what it can do.

"I ask, what will happen in two years' time when there is no Cliftonville to sell and no environmental services to outsource. We will need another £2 million for cuts next year.

"We know there are more to come. The coalition believes in localism and the Big Society but where's the money for our local society?"

Councillor Tim Hadland (*Con, Weston*) proposed an amendment to the support of the Door-to-Door service. He said the service should not suffer under the cut of concessionary fares.

Councillor Perkins said he was happy to lend support to Northamptonshire County Council for the service and the amendment was passed by council members.

The remainder of the proposed budget was passed along with these amendments.



Skateboarders and BMX bike riders attended the meeting of the borough council on Monday night

Joy at skate park plan

SKATEBOARDERS demonstrated their skills on the steps of the Guildhall to show the strength of feeling for the development of a new skate park, proposals for which were passed at the full council meeting on Monday night.

Northampton Borough Council has pledged to invest £250,000 towards a skate park and has looked into plans to developing it on Midsummer Meadow.

It is hoped the facility will be

up and running by 2014.

Skateboarder Ryan Harrison, aged 19, from Briar Hill, said: "There's nowhere to skate in Northampton. We need somewhere safe.

"It will stop youngsters being on the streets and causing harm to others. It's giving them something to do."

Around 30 young skateboarders attended the meeting, and chair of Northampton Skate Park Action group, Kevin Childs, said skateboarding was

a global sport.

He added: "The skate park won't just be for the youth of now but for future generations."

The deputy leader of the authority, Councillor Paul Varnsberry (*Lib Dem, West Hunsbury*), said the young skateboarders had done themselves proud by turning up to the meeting and the presence of adult skateboarders had confirmed the longevity of this sport.

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Prizes taken in police raid

THE landlady of a Northampton pub which was raided by police, has spoken of her "anger and embarrassment" after dozens of raffle prizes and birthday presents were seized.

Officers swooped on The Bear, in Sheep Street, last Thursday and took away several large bags of DVDs, perfumes and toiletries, as well as items of less value like cuddly toys and paper cups.

The raid was part of a 'high impact day' to crack down on the sale of suspected stolen property.

However all the goods taken from The Bear have now been returned to landlady, Maureen Hodgson, and no charges have been brought against the pub.

Mrs Hodgson said: "I knew everything had been bought and paid for. I'm a bit of a shopaholic and a hoarder and I've still got birthday presents from two years ago. I do look for bargains all the time."

"Most of the things I buy are for raffles. In the last five years, I've raised more than £32,000 for Cynthia Spencer Hospice."



Maureen Hodgson, landlady of The Bear, in Sheep Street, with some of the items returned by police after their raid

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"I was furious when I heard the police had taken away all my stuff. I was also embarrassed that people could think we'd have stolen goods as we don't encourage shop-lifting at all."

"The idea that we'd have stolen goods tarnishes our reputation."

At the end of the day, I know the police have their job to do but I wanted to clear my name.

"The police have responded quickly though in returning my goods and none of it was damaged."

The Rifle Drum, in Drum Lane, Northampton town centre, was also closed for a short time on Thursday after police raided the pub at around 2pm. Officers searched the pub but did not find any stolen property.

Sergeant Simon Pinchin, Operation Guardian sergeant for central sector, said the pubs were raided due to information they had received.

He said: "We went into the pubs calmly and asked customers to leave. Upstairs in one of the rooms above The Bear, we found some goods which needed further investigation."

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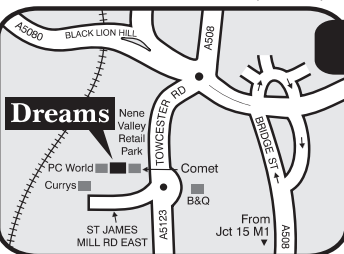
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Around 100 people met in the village to hold up a giant piece of fabric, which was around 50m long – the same height as a wind turbine – to show their concern about the route the lorries would take if plans for a wind farm near the village of Watford are given the go-ahead.

Plans have been submit-

ted to Daventry District Council by wind farm developers Volkswind to erect five turbines at Watford Lodge – the lorries would travel through Thornby, Guilsborough and West Haddon.

Residents from the villages have formed a campaign group called REACT because they are concerned the lorries will cause “major disruption” to vital facilities, including fire, medical services and schools in the area, if the plans are approved next Wednesday.

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This pair of tortoiseshell spectacles belonged to Sir Winston Churchill will be auctioned on March 17

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The plastic-framed reading glasses were made in 1954 for the former prime minister, one of history's greatest orators, who was often seen wearing spectacles when appearing in public.

Complete with a blue leather-covered case, they will be sold by Northamptonshire auctioneers, JP Humbert, in Towcester, on March 17.

Auctioneer Jonathan Humbert said the glasses, which are in "pristine condition" with no scuffs

or marks to the lenses or circular frames, were left with opticians Dixey of Wigmore Street, London, after they had been sent there for some adjustment work.

Mr Humbert said: "They were made for Churchill and he had them, and wore them, for some time.

"They went back to have some adjustment or tightening made and they were either then never collected or were replaced."

Mr Humbert said a compliments slip from Dixey was also included in the glasses case. It read: "These tortoiseshell spectacles were made in 1954 for the Right Honourable Sir Winston Leonard Churchill."

At the time when he wore them, Churchill

would have been in his second spell at 10 Downing Street.

By cross-referencing with pictures of Churchill wearing glasses from the 1950s, auctioneers were able to guarantee their provenance.

They will go into the auction for a "very modest" unreserved starting price of between £200 and £300, Mr Humbert said, but interest in them was expected to be high.

He said: "To get a pair of Churchill's spectacles in first-class condition with provenance is a real coup.

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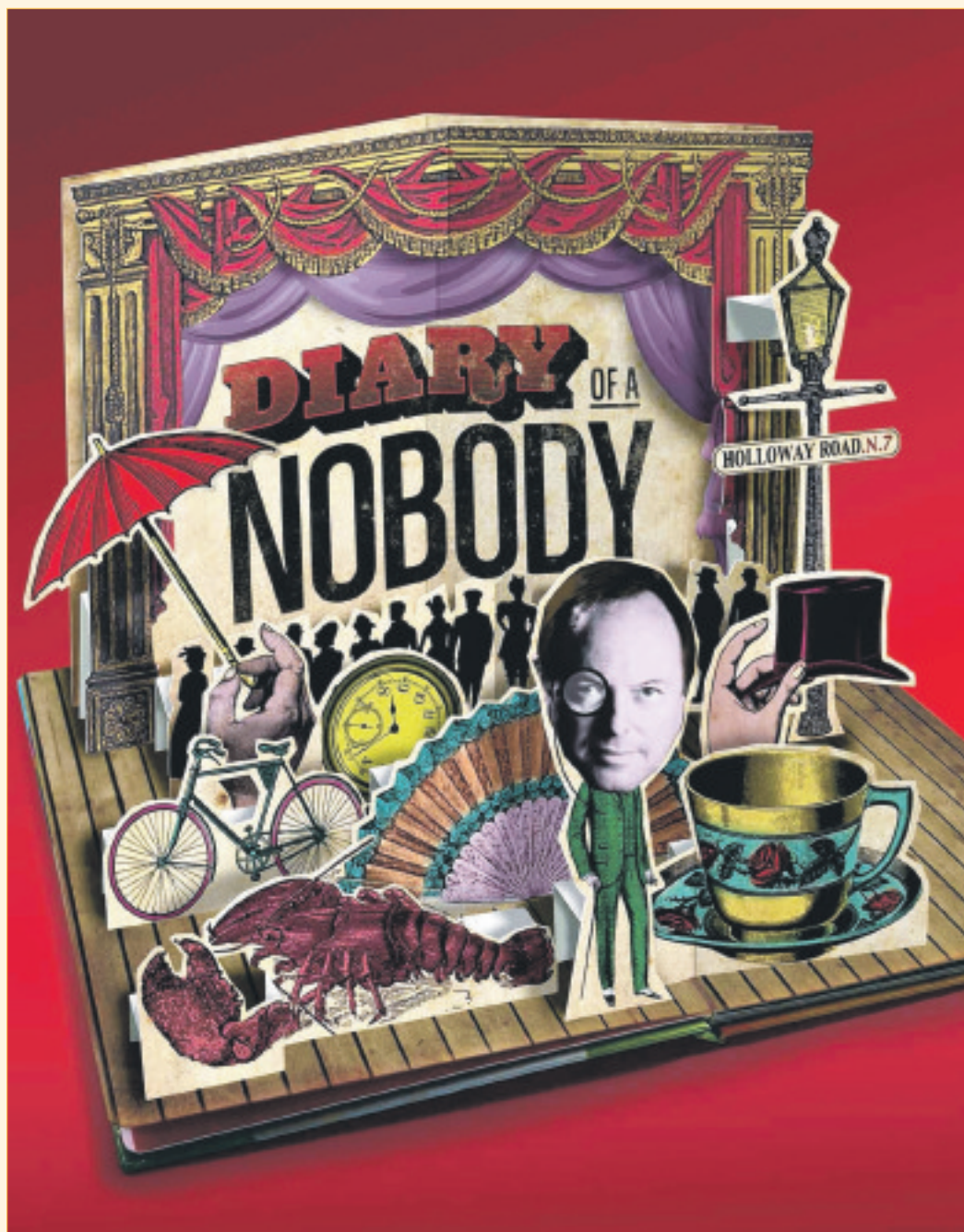
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not to warm to him. The play has been adapted from George and Weedon Grossmith's comedy of manners and sees four men uproariously recreate the trials and tribulations of Pooter's monotonous marriage and daily grind in Victorian London, resulting in an energetic night at the theatre. As well as Robert Dawes the cast features Steven Blakeley, best known for his role as PC Geoff Younger in *Heartbeat*. Gary Sefton returns to direct, following last year's production of *Travels With My Aunt*. *Diary of a Nobody* takes place from tomorrow night until March 19, with tickets priced from £27 to £12. To find out more or to book, call the box office on 01604 624811 or visit www.royal-andderngate.co.uk.



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speech, David meets gifted dancer Elise Sellas (Emily Blunt) and

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Unfortunately, every once in a while, blind chance causes a blip, and for David, that blip was meeting Elise.

The Adjustment Bureau doesn't drag its heels, cranking up the tension as bureau agents mercilessly apply pressure to David to ensure he bows to their will. Nolfi directs with confidence, seamlessly integrating flashes of digital trickery with live action as the plot builds to a frenetic chase through the streets of New York.

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The main house is believed to date to the Georgian period but we can not

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Chevrolet Orlando 2.0 VCDi

REVIEW BY IAN DONALDSON

Chevy exceeding all expectations

FACED with a board hung with car keys, all for different versions of Chevrolet's new seven-seater, the temptation was to ask for one of the poshest, please.

Which in Chevrolet terms, still means a car whose total cost is what some people spend piling extras on their Porsche. For the dearest Orlando offered today, complete with a panoply of bells and whistles, costs £23,195.

That brings you heated front seats, sat nav and full leather upholstery; even automatic transmission. Opt instead for the most basic model, still with air con, remote locking and the seven seats that come with every Orlando and the bill is £16,395.

And the likely most popular of the 2,000 or so cars expected to find homes

here this year is the £18,645 LT model with a diesel engine, and the car tested here.

If you think this test has started a bit spec-happy, then apologies, but this is a car whose very existence depends on some (large) extent on its value for money.

There are plenty of more prestigious badges around, and on cars that lack the Orlando's slightly awkward looks, but they all cost more.

What's more, after several hours in the newcomer, this obvious value goes more than brochure deep. And that's not taking into consideration the five year or 50,000 mile warranty, five years free servicing, five years RAC roadside assistance and five years' MoT warranty.

Chevrolet in its current world form was born in the ashes of the failed Korean carmaker

Daewoo as the 'value' brand of the giant GM business and has steadily been designing cars that depend more on value than simple cheapness.

Which means we'll pay a bit more for a car if it looks worth the extra, but only if we're pretty sure there's more than marketing hype behind it.

Well, with the Orlando you can be sure.

The year is yet young but I'll be surprised if any new car tested in 2011 confounds my expectations more than this new Chevy. And not in a bad way, either.

Rather, here's a car that raises few expectations before you slip behind its wheel for a drive. You know it looks decent value and comes with a decent crop of goodies, but you hardly expect it

to provide an enter-

tain-

CAR: Chevrolet Orlando 2.0 VCDi 130 LT
PRICE: £18,645
DRIVETRAIN: 2.0 litre 128bhp diesel engine, 6-speed gearbox
PERFORMANCE: Top speed 112mph 0-62mph 10.3 seconds
ECONOMY: Euro average 47.0mpg CO2 159g/km
SIZE: 4652mm long width 1836mm wide
SAFETY: EuroNCAP not tested
INSURANCE: Group 14 (of 50)
WARRANTY: Five years or 100,000 miles

ing drive.

Well, read on.

You have a choice of 1.8 petrol or a couple of 2.0 diesels, of differing power, and I opted for the lower output diesel. Five miles into the drive, on a mix of modestly demanding Cotswolds roads, I was sure I'd been handed a key to the powerhouse model.

The way the car pulled up main road inclines (and past crawling Cotswold visitors looking for their next cream tea) convinced me this was the more muscular diesel. Wrong; and with a 42mpg dashboard readout at the end of my session, here was a car I could live with.

It rode some appallingly pockmarked roads with considerable grace

and its voice never rose above a muted growl. No quibbles about the gear change or clutch either, for that matter.

The Orlando is no sports car (thank goodness, it's built to take in other virtues) but for such a practical machine it really is rather good to drive.

Not bad to sit in and look around, either. You won't find Audi levels of fit and finish, but for the price the Chevy designers have done a good job that looks likely to last in the open warfare battleground that a family runaround has to survive on a daily basis.

Peering round the interior, there's evidence of sensible economy in surfaces that lack the last little bit of plushness, but everything is neatly screwed together.

Blue instruments aren't the way to make yourself easily read, though. They're supposedly inspired by the look of the Corvette, Chevrolet's big hearted sports car, which must make it hard to see how fast that 186mph car's going when you're on a charge.

A much neater touch is the compartment hidden behind the face of the sound system and big enough to hide your (connected) iPod if you choose the right level of Orlando.

Seats in rows two and three flop down simply to reveal the carrying capacity of a decent van. In position, the rearmost row has enough space for a couple of moderately sized adults, or stretching room for a brace of teenagers.

A 1.8 petrol model tried after the diesel, predictably needed more revs to keep up brisk progress and managed only 34mpg, but is £1,250 cheaper and a sensible proposition for lower mileage owners.

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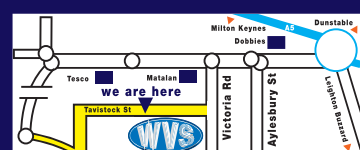
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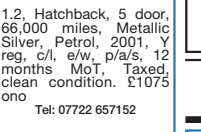



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18th Birthday



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 Mum, Dad,
 Keith, Vicki
 and all the Family.
 xx



Silver Wedding

Steve & Lilly MORIARTY



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Obituaries

BURDETT Ruth Mabel

(nee Sheppard)

Wife to the late Frank.
 Sister to David and the late Mary and Frances.
 Mother to Tony and Frank.
 Grandmother (Nan) to Peter and Jenny.
 Died peacefully at LRI
 Sunday 20th February 2011 aged 84.
 With thanks to all staff at the Infirmary who cared for Ruth over her last week.

Funeral on Tuesday 1st March at 1.45 pm at Gilroes Crematorium, Groby Road, Leicester, LE3 9QG. Donations welcomed to Macmillan Cancer Support c/o A.J.Adkinson & Son, Funeral Directors, 12 London Road, Dadby, Leicester, LE2 5DG.



CAYDEN RICHARD CROWSON

(December 9th 2010 - February 17th 2011)

Our wonderful Son and little Brother. You were with us for such a short time but the memories that you left us shall be with us for ever more. Now resting with the angels up above. God bless, goodnight our precious baby. Your heartbroken Mummy and Daddy and big Brother Oliver. Gentle Jesus up above, look after Cayden with all your love.xxxx

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(December 9th 2010 - February 17th 2011)

Such a short time spent with us, but such wonderful memories.



Goodnight God bless our precious little Grandson. Now resting with the angels. Your heartbroken loving Nanny and Pappy.x.

Obituaries

BRITTAIN Phyllis May

Sadly passed away on February 24th 2011 aged 88 years. Much loved Mother of Gillian and John. Geoffrey, Jacqueline and Neil.

Loving Nanna to Christopher, David, Matthew, Robert, James, Daniel and Brechen. Reunited with her loving Husband Dave. God saw that you were weary. He knew you had done you best. He put his arms around you and whispered come to rest.

Funeral service will be held on Friday March 11th at 11.00am at Counties Crematorium, Milton Malsor. No flowers by request but donations if desired to Dementia UK may be sent c/o Co-operative Funeral Services, The Poplars, Barrack Road, Northampton.

DICKENS Edna

"Nan Dick" Sadly gone but never forgotten. Love and miss you always. Steve, Paula, Laurence, April, Mick, Jordan, Cage and Sonny xxx.

DICKENS — Edna.
 Loving Mother and Nan. Sadly missed, always in our hearts. Goodnight, God bless. Reg and family

DICKENS Edna

Loving Mother and Nan.

Your door was always open, You gave us love and laughter. Love always, Goodnight.

Your Son Gerald, Shelley, Nathan and Ethan.

x x x x

GILKS Steven

(Formerly Stafford)
 16.11.60 - 23.02.11

Beloved Son of Eileen, Brother to Chrissie and Carl. Uncle to Leanne, Great Uncle to Logan and Layla.

One of life's true Gentleman. Rest In Peace.

JOHNSTON Joan

Peacefully passed away on 21st February.

A true friend, will be greatly missed. Our deepest sympathy to Roy and family.

Love Pat and Jack

LILLIS — Noel, Mr.
 Lil. Very good friend of many years to the Valentines. God bless Deepest sympathy to Jean, Barry, Theresa, Deirdre and Jimmy xxx.

Obituaries

MULLINS Blodwen

(Retired Lung Function Technician in Chest Clinic Northampton General Hospital)
 Slipped peacefully away on
 Sunday 13th February 2011 in Talbot Butler Ward, N.G.H after a brave and determined fight with an illness, diagnosed 13th October 2009.

R.I.P. Blod - You are at peace now and free from pain.

Good friend of Nessie for 26 years and good friend and neighbour of Josie and Tony Brookes for 14 years. Thoughtful of others including Animals and Birds.

You will be greatly missed by the many friends and neighbours you have made during your time in Northampton for nearly 38 years.

POLLARD — George.
 Passed away on 16th February. Dear friend for many years of John and Pat Pitt and family. Will be sadly missed.

SMITH — Gwen.
 Much loved and sadly missed by Darren, Matthew, Salina and Tamzin, Daughter in law Jenny and Great Grandsons Charlie and Leo. Re united with Ron and Son Dave. You meant so much to us all. God Bless x

Acknowledgements

BAYLISS Norman

Doris would like to thank family, close friends and neighbours for the beautiful cards and flowers sent on the sad loss of Norman. Special thanks to Christine and Phillip for their help and support, Reverend Stuart of Dallington Church and Finch and Sons for the care of Norman.

In Memoriam

BARCOCK Catherine

(Cathy)

Died 27/2/10
 Always be loved, always be missed, never be forgotten and always in our hearts.
 Love Dennis, Linda, Michael, Tracey & Family xx

BATES — Florrie.
 Loved and missed so much. Love you forever Mum. God Bless. From your loving family. x

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BURBAGE

Kay
 Loving Mother and Granny. Sadly left us on 3rd March 1992. Always in our thoughts and prayers. Never forgotten. God Bless. Bernie, Geraldine, Kate and Lucy.

BYRNE Mary

Passed away 25th February 2008. Though absent you are always near, still loved, still missed, still very dear.

Tony, Gareth, Caroline and Karagh x

COBLEY Garry

1st March 2009.
 Sadly missed along life's way. Quietly remembered every day.
 Love Mum and Dad.

COBLEY Garry
 1st March 2009

The tears in my eyes I can wipe away The ache in my heart will always stay

Love & miss you Lesley xx
 Nicola, Jade & Alicia x

In Memoriam**DALY**
Patricia Ann

Our darling
Daughter and Sister.
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goodbye to us
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so much.

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Dad, Brothers,
Sisters xx

**DOHERTY**
Mary

28th February 2006.

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dearly loved Sister
and Auntie.
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and thoughts.
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and family.
R.I.P
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and when our time
on Earth is through,
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will have our hands.
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Margery Beatrice

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(Nee Morris)

01.03.09

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McDONNELL
Margaret

A year has passed but
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hearts and we miss
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Your loving Family.

In Memoriam**JOAN MOORE**

(February 24th 2005)

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Ricia, Mum and Family
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SKELTON — Marilyn.
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everyday. Bob x

SMITH
Joan

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Chris xx

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HIGHWAYS AGENCY
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984-SECTION 14(1)(a)
THE M1 MOTORWAY (JUNCTIONS 16 - 18, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION AND PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M1 Motorway, between Junctions 16 and 18 in the County of Northamptonshire, to allow the electronic traffic detector system to be replaced.

The effect of the Order will be to -

(1) impose, at different times, a 50 miles per hour speed restriction on -

- (a) the northbound carriageway of the M1 -
 - (i) from a point 100 metres south of its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 16 for a distance of 2450 metres;
 - (ii) from a point 1450 metres south of its junction with the slip road leading to Watford Gap Service Area for a distance of 2250 metres; and
 - (iii) from a point 1350 metres south of its junction with the link road leading to the M45 at Junction 17 for a distance of 3000 metres; and
- (b) the slip roads leading to the northbound carriageway of the M1 -
 - (i) from Watford Gap Service Area, south of Junction 17; and
 - (ii) at Junction 16; and

(2) close the northbound carriageway of the M1 described in 1(a) above and allow traffic to run on the hard shoulder.

Work will be carried out overnight between 2200 hours and 0530 hours and is expected to start on Tuesday 29 March 2011 and continue for two nights. The Order will come into force on 22 March 2011.

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THE A45 TRUNK ROAD (NEAR WELLINGBOROUGH,
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION
OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport has made an Order on the A45 Trunk Road near Wellingborough, in the County of Northamptonshire, to allow resurfacing work to be carried out.

The effect of the Order will be to

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2) close the slip road leading to –

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- the westbound carriageway of the A45 from its junction with B573, Doddington Road/Millers Park.

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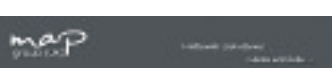
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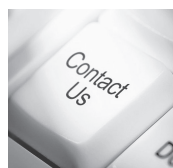


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Sport



SIXFIELDS AGONY - Cobblers skipper Andy Holt can't believe it as another chance goes begging in Tuesday's 3-2 defeat against Burton Albion

George wants Pisi the action!

SAMOAN sensation George Pisi says it will be 'awesome' to play alongside the likes of Ben Foden and Chris Ashton when he joins Saints next season.

The 24-year-old, who is currently playing for Clermont Auvergne in the French Top 14, this week agreed a deal to play at Franklin's Gardens next term.

Pisi made his reputation as a skilful full-back and centre with Super 15 outfit Auckland Blues.

He played against Foden and Ashton in the autumn internationals, when he played for Samoa against England as well as Scotland and Ireland.

Now he is to play alongside the Saints stars, and after watching and reading so much about them, he can't wait. Pisi said: "Playing against Chris Ashton and Ben Foden in the autumn was awesome and it'll be exciting to get the chance to play with them."

"It's an opportunity for me to have a new life in Northampton with my fiancé Jessica."

"Hopefully playing at Clermont will be good for me. The more rugby I play the better I get, so when I come back for Taranaki, then hopefully the World Cup with Samoa, I'll be able to hit the ground running when I get to Northampton."

"I've admired the people who have been through Northampton. It's a great family club and it's a great place for me to start my own family over there."

"I've been watching how Saints have been going. They've been playing well and come along well from last year and I feel that the team is building every year for higher honours. It's an awesome club."

Saints will be aiming to end a run of five straight Aviva Premiership defeats this Sunday when the travel to take on Exeter Chiefs.

Jim Mallinder's men were beaten 18-16 by Gloucester at Franklin's Gardens last Saturday, and are still without a league win in 2011.

Sammo refusing to throw in the towel

IAN SAMPSON says there is no chance he will throw in the towel on the Cobblers' chances of reaching the play-offs despite their defeat to Burton Albion on Tuesday night.

Town ended a run of six straight draws with a 3-2 loss at Sixfields to the Brewers, who powered to a 3-0 lead in the first half and withstood severe pressure from the hosts to secure the spoils.

It was a result that leaves the Cobblers nine points adrift of the top seven and one that will lead the majority of their supporters to believe the play-off bid is over.

But Sampson has a different view. "We won't write them (the play-offs)

off until it's mathematically impossible," he said.

"We're nine points off the top seven but we could still put a run together, that would definitely be doable from here."

"You can't throw the towel in, if you do that then there's no point people coming to watch the team or the players turning up for training."

"There's still plenty to play for. There is pride to play for, and we're battling to finish as high in the league table as possible."

"Some of the players are playing for new contracts as well so there's still a lot at stake this season."

As well as booing their own team off at half-time, a sparse Sixfields crowd also had plenty of harsh words for referee Pat Miller, who booked five of the home side's players and made some truly puzzling decisions.

Perhaps his most controversial call was to disallow an effort by Michael Jacobs that would have given Northampton an equaliser in the second half.

But Sampson refused to play the blame game as far as the referee was concerned, and accepted full responsibility for the display. "I thought the referee was average in the first half but he wasn't to blame for the goals we conceded in the first half," he said.

"The first half was poor and I have to take responsibility for that but I thought we deserved to take something from the game based

on our second-half performance."

"The shape I set the team out in didn't work but I can't fault the way they played in the second half, I thought they were excellent."

"I don't know why Michael's goal was disallowed, I haven't spoken to the referee and I haven't seen it again so I can't really comment on it."

The Cobblers are back in action on Saturday when they host Shrewsbury Town at Sixfields (ko 3pm). The Shrews will also go into the game on a downer having lost 3-0 against Bury on Tuesday.

Sampson's men will also be boosted by the return to action of striker Shaun Harrad, who has now served his three-match ban for his sending-off against Aldershot.

